FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

To—The Deputy Commissioners, Treasury Department, of all Districts.

Circular No. 2069—*B. & R.* 1110, *dated 1st April* 1905.

As indents for small silver and copper are frequent and some of them large, Deputy Commissioners, Treasury Department, of Districts are requested that they will, in future, submit their indents for such coins in the annexed form to enable the undersigned to see how far the indents can be complied with :—

Description of coin required.	Balance in hand.	Quantity received during the last 3 months.		Quantity issued during the last 3 months.		Average consumption per month during the current year.	Balance on hand on this date.	Remarks. (In case the indent is large, please explain the necessity for it.)
		From public.	From other District Treasuries.	To the public.	To other District Treasuries.			

N. G. BASU, *Comptroller.*

EXCISE DEPARTMENT.

SALE OF SEPARATE ARRACK SHOPS FOR 1905-06.

Notification No. 6211—4, dated 13th March 1905.

1. Notice is hereby given that the exclusive right of selling arrack in each of the separate shops specified in the appended schedule* for the twelve months beginning with 1st July 1905 and ending with 30th June 1906, will be put up to public auction at upset prices, by the respective Deputy Commissioners or by Revenue Assistant Commissioners or by Divisional Officers of the Excise Department or other Officers specially authorized by the Deputy Commissioners for the purpose, on the dates and at the places mentioned in the said schedule, subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth. If the sales are not completed on abovenamed days, they will be continued on the next following days (close holidays excepted).

2. *(a)* Each bidder at the auction will deposit a sum of Rs. 60 for shops in the Kolar Gold Fields, Rs. 25 for those in the Mysore and Bangalore Cities and Rs. 10 for those in other places, or such other reasonable amount as may be fixed by the officer conducting the sale, previous to bidding. It will, if offered, be received at any time within three days prior to the date of sale, provided that the Government may, at any time, dispense with such initial deposit. The deposits made by unsuccessful bidders if not forfeited as hereinafter provided, will be returned at the close of the sale. The shops or group of shops will be knocked down to the approved highest bidder, subject to formal confirmation by the Deputy Commissioner, who will be at liberty to accept or reject any bid at his discretion without assigning reasons for the same. Such formal confirmation will, *unless revised by Government for special reasons,* be tantamount to an acceptance of the bid and will be necessary whether the sale be held by the Deputy Commissioner himself or by any other officer appointed by him. Parties intending to bid must attend either in person or by duly accredited agents. Should there be no bid above the upset price, for any shop singly, the officer conducting the sale may, in consultation with the Excise Divisional Officer, if present, club together more than one shop or, if necessary, reserve shops for which there may be no bids, for disposal hereafter. He may, subject to formal confirmation of the Deputy Commissioner, sell the right in any particular case by means of tenders or by private negotiation. He may also lower the upset price at his discretion. The officer conducting the sale may at his discretion, and without assigning any reason, refuse to accept the bid of any person, on the ground that he has been convicted by a criminal court of such an offence, or has been guilty of such breach of the conditions of the license, or of a contract under the Excise Regulation or Opium Act, as to render him undesirable as a holder of a license, or on the ground that he is insolvent, or in order to prevent arrangements to the detriment of Government interests, or for any other valid reason.

(b) No shop shall be knocked down in the name of more than one person or of more than one company or firm duly represented. The selling officer shall refuse to register as a purchaser any one in whose name the bidding has not proceeded.

* For Schedule see Supplement to the *Mysore Gazette*, dated 23rd March 1905.